

to the Editors of the Enquirer :  
GENTLEMEN: The statements of correspondents

is ignorant of the real facts, or writing the interests of particular commands. It then form the basis of newspaper comment and of public opinion in regard to military operations; and events follow so rapidly on the heels of each other that first impressions give way to more correct views founded on authentic accounts. This consideration reduces me to place on record a correction.

It is stated in these communications. Marksdale's brigade was left without support to defend the heights in rear of Fredericksburg, and a line of two miles in length.

orning of the 3d by Gen. Barksdale, that enemy had thrown a bridge across Fredericksburg, I immediately sent Hays' Louisiana Brigade to his assistance, and Gen. Wilder with three regiments of his brigade, drawn from above. This left only three brigades on the long and comparatively weak line from the heights in rear of Fredericksburg to the mouth of the Massaponox to confront

ry column of the enemy on this side at mouth of Deep Run, while there were two brigades and three regiments of another to the rear of and above Fredericksburg. Baner's brigade occupied the position which was strongest in natural and artificial defenses, was better guarded by artillery than any other. There were no reserves for

of the line, which extended over several miles, and military men will understand the difficulties of the position. Without means of direct censure on Burksdale's brigade, even this implication, I will state that my division will not lose Marge's Hill, but one of my brigades (Gordon's, formerly Lawton's,) received it before nine o'clock on the next morning, and three of my brigades (Hays', Hooker's and Gordon's) bore the brunt of the

When the enemy was driven back across the river, Burksdale's brigade and Smith's, of the 1st division, having been left to keep the enemy in check from the direction of Fredericksburg. Having done all in my power to avert disaster, and to arrest and retrieve it, I am willing to abide the judgment of the Commanding General upon my own conduct and that of my division.

Respectfully, J. A. EARLY,  
Major General F. A. C.  
WHAT THE BATTLE SHOULD BE CALLED.  
[From the Richmond Dispatch.]  
We stated briefly a few days ago some most  
fanciful reasons why the great battle  
which Jackson fell should be called the Bat-  
tle of the Wilderness. The matter of fact, how-

is stronger than anything else in being the name. The great battle was fought in the wilderness—a country of gravelly soil, and a black-jack growth, presenting many places an almost impenetrable thicket. There were occasional small openings cleared and cultivated fields, in which the enemy had his works for defence. The position was one of great strength, and was very probably alluded to by Herodotus.

a short time since, as one he knew from which the whole Confederate army would dislodge him. If he thought he knew an one he would certainly go to it, and doubt did, in preference to all others accessible to him. It was indeed a strong one. Jackson's impetuous charge, in the very face of death, as it were, could not be resisted by the Yankees, and they were driven back.

The name "Wilderness" will perpetuate the nature of her position thus heroically earned and carried—it will commemorate the last great fight of that hero of many bloods, whose last achievement was his greatness on the other hand, "Cancellorsville" is the name of a place with only one dwelling—honored several miles from the great fight of two days' combat; and unsuggestive as

the best it could not therefore be  
with topographical truthfulness to  
the bloody struggle with the truth  
THE KILLING OF VAN DORN BY DR. PETER  
[Correspondence of the Richmond Inquirer:  
CHATTANOOGA, Tuesday, May 13  
A gentleman just from Spring Hill, in Man-  
tany, gives me some particulars in regard  
death of Van Dorn. The facts are

larly tragic, and in time of peace would create a national furor. The crowded session of the great war canvass, however, attracts the public eye from a quiet domestic drama.

Since taking up his quarters at Spring House, Dorn has been upon terms of criminal intimacy with Mrs. Dr. Peters. She was McKissick's young, haudome and in

nt. Her family is one of the highest  
stability and considerable wealth. Her  
band has been one of the most esteemed  
zone—an amiable man, a member of  
the Senate and a heavy planter. A brother  
r Peters, is Chief Quartermaster to Gen.  
rk. The pair have been married (second  
riage on the part of the gentleman)  
out five years.

On the day of the occurrence, Dr. Peters rode upon Van Dorn and obtained a pass to Nashville. Van Dorn gave it reassurance and a feeling of gladness to get rid of a disagreeable and dangerous incumbrance. They were alone together in an upper room, and it was supposed that Peters shot from back of Van Dorn's head, which was split in twain by the bullet. The report was not heard, however, and Peters mounted his horse.

ay, crossed the lines with the pass properly obtained, and entered Nashville. As has been, I learn, received with marks of distinguished welcome. The body of Van Dorn was coffined and sent for interment. Mrs. Peters has returned to her own family. These are the facts, hard and dry. Rumor the conduct of Van Dorn, not only in

instance but in others near Columbia have been prevalent for some time. Without doubt he has acted very badly. My informant is of the opinion that he has degraded the cause disgusted every one by his inattention to duty and his constant devotion to the ladies and that to the exclusion of all else. We do not know whether he has ruined him, as they have ruined many another brilliant but reckless man.

That an Oorn was a man of genius there can be no doubt. Being handsome, with dark flashing eyes, a magnificent moustache, a superb rider, showy address, quick-witted and graceful, he was also a man of sagacious foresight, keen, intelligent, and wholly and thoroughly unreliable. He always sacrificed his business to his pleasure and he was never at his post when he ought to have been.

**Suspicious Shipmen's of War Supply**  
from the Liverpool Journal of Commerce, May 1917.  
It was reported yesterday afternoon  
the ship *Prizot*, lying in Prince's dock, belong-  
ing to Mr. Magee, was loaded with ammuni-  
tion of war for the Federals, and that pa-

According to the ship had stated to the officials that the shells were old iron bombs from Alexandria. It was also rumored that the British officials had objected to allow the shells to be put on board, while other reports stated that the shells were intended to be shipped on board the *Leedsburg*, which left that day yesterday with a cargo of coals, it is said. On making the inquiry, we were assured by the officers in charge of the

that a quantity of shot and shell was put aboard for the purpose of temporary ballast when the proper stone ballast was taken down to the ship yesterday the shot and shell were at once discharged and cast away. For further inquiry made last evening at Princeton, we learn that thirty-six tons of shot and chain shot and shell, in good condition, were sent down to the vessel, but were

quently removed, by whose authority could not ascertain. The ship *Pezot* is loading salt for Shediac.

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THE POSITIONS OF GENs. BANKS AND GR  
the Washington correspondent of the P  
Philadelphia North American says:  
The latest advices from General Bank

to lead to the belief that any attack will be made just at present upon Port Hudson. It is likely the fate of Vicksburg will be decided before any effort is made toward the reduction of the former stronghold. How the troops at Port Hudson are fed is a mystery. The rumor heretofore circulated that the supplies were sufficient to endure a six months siege was correct. That they are fed is not true, and there is no evidence to the contrary.

through some channel leading into West Louisiana, daily rations for the army are regularly drawn. So long as they hold Alexandria it is impossible for supplies to reach Hudson, and that they do hold, that town defended by several gunboats, is too well defended to be refuted. If General Grant is successful before Vicksburg, the fate of Port Hudson sealed, but should disaster overtake him

both of the rebel intrenchments may be of assistance to our movements, and the whole must never be wasted in a fruitless and energetic campaign.







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